Emergency flashers

Use the emergency flashers if the vehicle malfunctions or is involved in an accident.

Press the switch to flash all the turn signal lights. To turn them off, press the switch once again.

NOTICE

■ To prevent 12-volt battery discharge

Do not leave the emergency flashers on longer than necessary when the hybrid system is not operating.

If your vehicle needs to be towed

If towing is necessary, we recommend having your vehicle towed by your Lexus dealer or a commercial towing service, using a lift-type truck or a flatbed truck.
Use a safety chain system for all towing, and abide by all state/provincial and local laws.
If the vehicle is damaged, use a towing dolly or flatbed truck.

Before towing

The following may indicate a problem with your transmission. Contact your Lexus dealer before towing.

- The hybrid system is operating, but the vehicle will not move.
- The vehicle makes an abnormal sound.

Emergency towing

If a tow truck is not available in an emergency, your vehicle may be temporarily towed using a cable or chain secured to the emergency towing eyelet(s). This should only be attempted on hard surfaced roads for short distances at low speeds.
A driver must be in the vehicle to steer and operate the brakes. The vehicle's wheels, drive train, axles, steering and brakes must be in good condition.

Towing eyelet

■ Before emergency towing

- Release the parking brake.
- Shift the shift lever to “N”.
- Turn the “POWER” switch to ACCESSORY (hybrid system off) or ON mode (hybrid system operating).

⚠ CAUTION

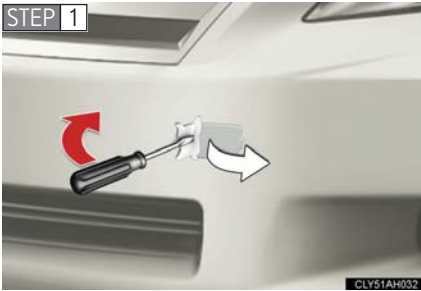
■ Caution while towing

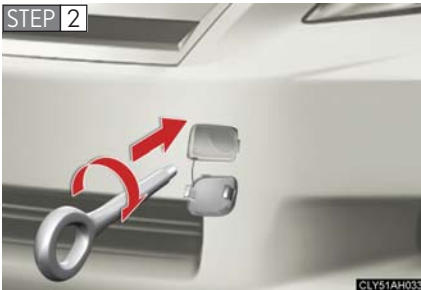
- Use extreme caution when towing the vehicle.
  Avoid sudden starts or erratic driving maneuvers which place excessive stress on the emergency towing eyelets and the cables or chains. Always be cautious of the surroundings and other vehicles while towing.
- If the hybrid system is off, the power assist for the brakes and steering will not function, making steering and braking more difficult.

⚠ NOTICE

■ To prevent causing serious damage to the transmission and the transfer

Never tow this vehicle with any of the wheels in contact with the ground.
This may cause serious damage to the transmission and the transfer.

Installing towing eyelets

Remove the eyelet cover using a flathead screwdriver.

To protect the bodywork, place a rag between the screwdriver and the vehicle body, as shown in the illustration.

Insert the towing eyelet into the hole and tighten partially by hand.

Tighten down the towing eyelet securely using a wheel nut wrench.

Location of the emergency towing eyelet

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CAUTION

■ **Installing towing eyelets to the vehicle**

Make sure that towing eyelets are installed securely.
If not securely installed, towing eyelets may come loose during towing. This may lead to accidents that cause serious injury or even death.

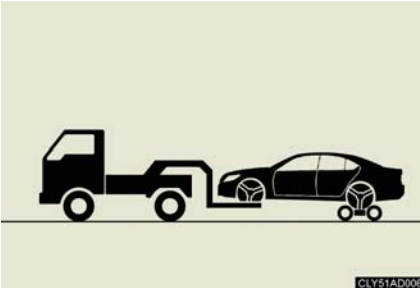
Towing with a sling-type truck

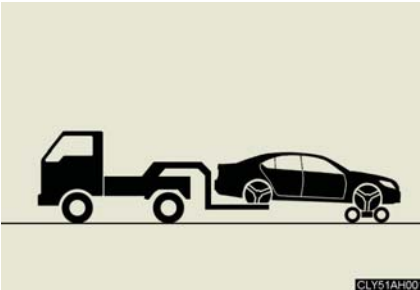
 NOTICE

■ **To prevent body damage**

Do not tow with a sling-type truck, either from the front or rear.

Towing with a wheel-lift type truck

▶ From the front

Use a towing dolly under the rear wheels.

▶ From the rear

Use a towing dolly under the front wheels.

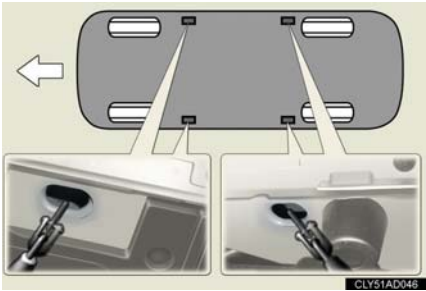
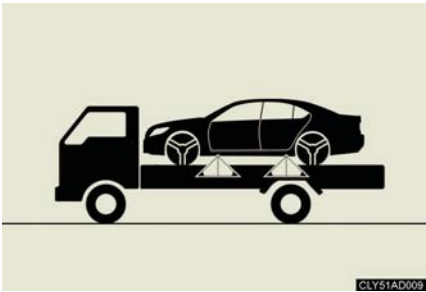
⚠ NOTICE

■ To prevent causing serious damage to the transmission and the transfer

Never tow this vehicle with any of the wheels in contact with the ground.

■ To prevent damaging the vehicle

- Do not tow the vehicle with the "POWER" switch OFF.
  The steering lock mechanism is not strong enough to hold the front wheels straight.
- When raising the vehicle, ensure adequate ground clearance for towing at the opposite end of the raised vehicle. Without adequate clearance, the vehicle could be damaged while being towed.

Using a flatbed truck

If your Lexus is transported by a flatbed truck, it should be tied down at the locations shown in the illustration.

If you use chains or cables to tie down your vehicle, the angles shaded in black must be 45°.

Do not overly tighten the tie downs or the vehicle may be damaged.

If you think something is wrong

If you notice any of the following symptoms, your vehicle probably needs adjustment or repair. Contact your Lexus dealer as soon as possible.

■ Visible symptoms

- Fluid leaks under the vehicle.
  (Water dripping from the air conditioning after use is normal.)
- Flat-looking tires or uneven tire wear
- Engine coolant temperature gauge needle continually points higher than normal. (→P. 202)

■ Audible symptoms

- Changes in exhaust sound
- Excessive tire squeal when cornering
- Strange noises related to the suspension system
- Pinging or other noises related to the hybrid system

■ Operational symptoms

- Engine missing, stumbling or running rough
- Appreciable loss of power
- Vehicle pulls heavily to one side when braking
- Vehicle pulls heavily to one side when driving on a level road
- Loss of brake effectiveness, spongy feeling, pedal almost touches the floor